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§ 206.1 Purpose and scope.

(a) This part sets forth the procedures to be followed in proceedings in which the U.S. Agency for International Development (the ''Agency'') is not a party, whenever a subpoena, order or other demand (collectively referred to as a ''demand'') of a court or other authority set forth in § 206.1(d) of this part is issued for the production or disclosure of (1) any material contained in the files of the Agency, (2) any information relating to material contained in the files of the Agency, or (3) any information or material acquired by any person while such person was an employee of the Agency as a part of the performance of his official duties or because of his official status.

(b) For purposes of this part, the term ''employee of the Agency'' includes all officers and employees of the Agency appointed by, or subject to the supervision, jurisdiction or control of, the Administrator of the Agency, including personal services contractors.

(c) This part is intended to provide instructions regarding the internal operations of the Agency, and is not intended, and does not and may not be relied upon, to create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by a party against the Agency.

(d) This part applies to:

(1) State and local court, administrative and legislative proceedings.

(2) Federal court and administrative proceedings.

(e) This part does not apply to:

(1) Congressional requests or subpoenas for testimony or documents.

(2) Employees or former employees making appearances solely in their private capacity in legal or administrative proceedings that do not relate to the Agency (such as cases arising out of traffic accidents, domestic relations,

etc.). Any question whether the appearance relates solely to the employee's or former employee's private capacity should be referred to the General Counsel or his designee.

(f) Nothing in this part affects disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. 552a. the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b, or the Agency's implementing regulations. Nothing in this part otherwise permits disclosure of information by the Agency except as is provided by statue or other applicable law.

§ 206.2 Production or disclosure prohibited unless approved by the General Counsel.

No employee or former employee of the Agency shall, in response to a demand of a court or other authority set forth in § 206.1(d), produce any material or disclose any information described in § 206.1(a) without the approval of the General Counsel or his designee.

§ 206.3 Procedure in the event of a demand for production or disclosure.

(a) Whenever an employee or former employee of the Agency receives a demand for the production of material or the disclosure of information described in § 206.1(a), he shall immediately notify and provide a copy of the demand to the General Counsel or his designee. The General Counsel, or his designee, shall be furnished by the party causing the demand to be issued or served a written summary of the information sought, its relevance to the proceeding in connection with which it was served and why the information sought is unavailable by any other means or from any other sources.

(b) The General Counsel, or his designee, in consultation with appripriate Agency officials, and in light of the considerations listed in § 206.6, will determine whether the person on whom the demand was served should respond to the demand.

(c) To the extent he deems it necessary or appropriate, the General Counsel, or his designee, may also require from the party causing such demand to be issued or served a plan of all reasonably foreseeable demands, including but not limited to names of all